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In re the Patent Application of: Tatsuya KATO, et al.

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For: TAPE DRIVE APPARATUS, RECORDING AND/OR REPRODUCING METHOD, AND

RECORDING MEDIUM

STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the attorney named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. Specifically, please advise us of when an initial Office Action on the merits may be expected from the Patent and Trademark Office. The application has now been pending approximately 15 months without an action on the merits.

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